Co. John Jarboe been Conceived in writeing & been penned Liber in due forme of Law any Law Custome or usage either in this Prouince or in the kingdome of England to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding.

## An Act for Secureing Marchants & others Tobacco after they have Received itt—

Bee itt Enacted by the Right Honoble the Lord Proprietary by and with aduice & Consent of the Upper & Lower houses of this present Generall Assembly that every housekeeper or Inhabitant within this Prouince haueing a Plantacon whereon he maketh or Causeth to be made any Tobacco shall build and erect or otherwise fitt upp and make Ready a good tight house with a good doore lock and key uppon every Plantacon where such Tobacco is made as aforesaid Sufficient to Containe The Tobacco made vppon every respective Plantacon and the said houses to be builded fitted upp or made Ready by the tenth day of October which shall be in the Yeare of our Lord God p. 99

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And Bee itt further Enacted by the aduice and Consent aforesaid & the Authority of the same That from and after the tenth day of October which shall be in the Yeare of our Lord 1677 every Inhabitant & house keeper haueing a Plantacon whereon he maketh Tobacco as aforesaid and that shall pay away or dispose of any Tobacco unto any Marchant Master of a Shipp Sailor or any other person whatsoever shall Notwithstanding such disposure or payment Secure and keepe the said Tobacco as he would doe his owne propper goods vntill such person as did receive or is owner of the same shall send for itt Provided allwayes that nothing in this Act conteyned shall be Construed meant or intended to make any Inhabitant or house-keeper lyable to any damage which shall happen to any Tobacco soe left with him to keepe and secure through any Casualty whatsoever.

And Bee itt further Enacted by and with the aduice and Consent aforesaid That every Inhabitant house keeper or other person haueing a Plantacon as aforesaid & makeing Tobacco as aforesaid which shall not Erect build or fitt upp such house or houses uppon their Respective Plantacons for the uses and by the time aforesaid shall forfeite and pay the summe of five hundred pounds of Tobacco in Caske the one halfe to the Lord Proprietary the other halfe to the Informer or him or them that shall sue for the same to be Recovered by bill plaint or Informacon in any Court of Record within this Province wherein noe Essoyne Wager nor Proteccon in Law to be allowed This Act to Continue for three yeares or to the end of the next

Generall Assembly which shall first happen.